

**HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE BILAL NAZKI
AND
HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE S. ANANDA REDDY**

Dated: 05-07-2007

WRIT PETITION No. 14198 of 2007

Between:

M/s. Soma Srinivasa Reddy,
Keerthi Enclave,
Himayath Nagar, Hyderabad rep., by its
Managing Parnter Mr. Soma Srinivasa Reddy.

..Petitioner

And

The Commercial Tax Officer,
Narayanaguda Circle, Hyderabad and two others.

..Respondents

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ORAL ORDER: Per : Bilal Nazki, J

Heard the learned counsel for the parties. With their consent, the writ petition is being disposed of at this stage.

The controversy is that pending an appeal, application for stay was dismissed by the competent authority. We have gone through the record. We feel that the interest of justice would have been met, if stay was granted pending appeal, subject to deposit of half of the liability. Therefore, we set aside the order of the authority and direct that half of the disputed tax liability shall be paid by the petitioner, within a period of four weeks from today. For four weeks, there shall be an unconditional stay and stay shall continue till disposal of the appeal provided the amount is deposited within the stipulated time. The deposit of amount shall be without prejudice to the rights of the petitioner in appeal. If any amount has already been paid by the petitioner, the same shall be given credit.

Writ petition is disposed of accordingly. No costs.

BILAL NAZKI, J

S. ANANDA REDDY, J

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